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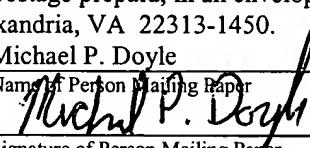
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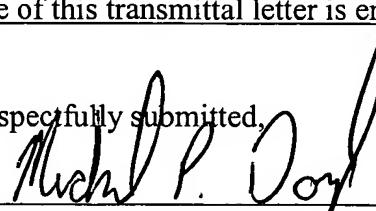
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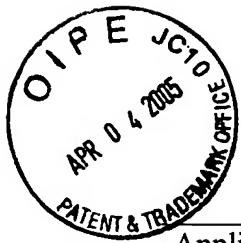
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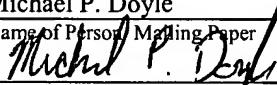
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 4, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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